## TMA 4115 Matematikk 3 Lecture 13 for MBIOT5, MTKJ, MTNANO

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Matrix  $A \to$  linear transformation  $T_A \colon \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m, \overrightarrow{x} \mapsto A \overrightarrow{x}$ 

 $T: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$  linear  $\to$  standard matrix  $\left[T(\overrightarrow{e_1}) \quad \dots \quad T(\overrightarrow{e_n})\right]$ 

Formulate questions about  $A\overrightarrow{x} = \overrightarrow{b}$  in the language of linear transformations. Recall  $T : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$  is

- onto if each  $\overrightarrow{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m$  is the image of <u>at least</u> one  $\overrightarrow{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$
- **one-to-one** if each  $\overrightarrow{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m$  is the image of <u>at most</u> one  $\overrightarrow{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

(In the literature: **onto** = **surjective**, **one-to-one** = **injective**)

## 11.11 Theorem

Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$  be a linear transformation. Then T is one-to-one if and only if  $T(\overrightarrow{x}) = \overrightarrow{0}$  has only the trivial solution  $\overrightarrow{0}$ .

**Proof**: If *T* is one-to-one, there is at most one solution to  $T(\vec{x}) = \vec{0}$ . Hence, only the trivial  $\vec{x} = \vec{0}$  solves  $T(\vec{x}) = \vec{0}$ .

Conversly let only  $\overrightarrow{x} = \overrightarrow{0}$  solve  $T(\overrightarrow{x}) = \overrightarrow{0}$ .

Assume that  $\overrightarrow{u}, \overrightarrow{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  satisfy  $T(\overrightarrow{v}) = T(\overrightarrow{u})$ . Then

$$\overrightarrow{0} = T(\overrightarrow{u}) - T(\overrightarrow{v}) = T(\overrightarrow{u} - \overrightarrow{v})$$

Hence,  $\overrightarrow{u} - \overrightarrow{v} = \overrightarrow{0}$  and thus  $\overrightarrow{u} = \overrightarrow{v}$ . Each vector in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  may thus only be the image of at most one vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .  $\Box$ 

Rephrase questions about  $A\overrightarrow{x} = \overrightarrow{b}$ 

Let 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \overrightarrow{a}_1 & \dots & \overrightarrow{a}_n \end{bmatrix}$$
 be an  $n \times m$  matrix.  
1. Is  $A\overrightarrow{x} = \overrightarrow{b}$  consistent for all  $\overrightarrow{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ ?  
 $\leftrightarrow$  Is every  $\overrightarrow{b}$  in the span $\{\overrightarrow{a_1}, \dots, \overrightarrow{a_n}\}$ ?  
 $\leftrightarrow$  Is  $T_A \colon \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$  onto  $\mathbb{R}^m$ ?  
2. Is there a unique solution to  $A\overrightarrow{x} = \overrightarrow{b}$  for  $\overrightarrow{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ ?  
 $\leftrightarrow$  Are  $\overrightarrow{a}_1, \dots, \overrightarrow{a}_n$  linearly independent?  
 $\leftrightarrow$  Is  $T_A \colon \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$  one-to-one?

## 12. Matrix algebra

Let  $f, g: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$  be linear transformations and  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then  $f + rg: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m, \overrightarrow{x} \mapsto f(\overrightarrow{x}) + rg(\overrightarrow{x})$  is linear:

$$(f + rg)(\overrightarrow{v} + t\overrightarrow{u}) = f(\overrightarrow{u} + t\overrightarrow{v}) + rg(\overrightarrow{u} + t\overrightarrow{v})$$
$$= (f + rg)(\overrightarrow{u}) + t(f + rg)(\overrightarrow{v})$$

For  $h: \mathbb{R}^m \to \mathbb{R}^p$  linear the composition  $h \circ f: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^p$  is linear.

**Question:** Are the standard matrices of (f + rg) and  $h \circ g$  related to the standard matrices of f, g and h?